

What pinnipeds have to say about human speech, music, and the evolution of rhythm

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Supplementary Figure

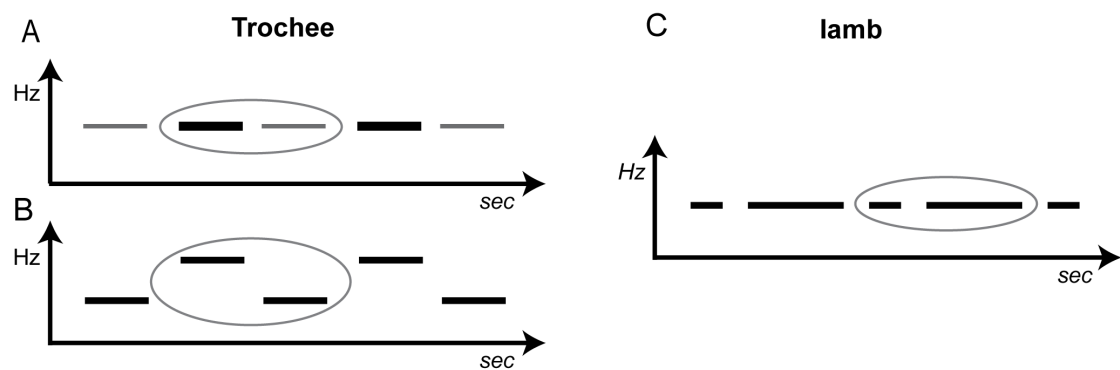


Figure 1. If presented with sequences of equal-length sounds with (A) alternating intensity (weak-strong-weak) or (B) pitch (low-high-low), humans seem to have an innate tendency to group them as *strong-weak* (grouping represented by grey oval). This is called *trochaic* grouping. If presented with sequences of (C) two alternating durations (short-long-short), some humans, depending on their native language (Iversen et al., 2008), group sounds as *weak-strong* (corresponding to short-long). This is called *iambic* grouping.